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Delaware Forest Service Offers \$10 Tree Coupon until November 15th

"Spruce Up! Delaware" is new effort to help trees take root in Delaware.

PHOTO: Todd and Sherri Royer of Middletown (left) discuss their newly planted cherry tree with Henry Poole, Urban and Community Forestry Coordinator with the Delaware Forest Service. The Royers purchased the tree with a \$10 coupon available at four garden centers statewide through "Spruce Up! Delaware," an all-new pilot program to encourage tree planting on private property.

"Spruce Up! Delaware," a new program offering a \$10 discount to encourage homeowners to plant trees, continues at four garden centers throughout the state until Saturday, November 15, 2008. The initiative is a cooperative effort of the Delaware Forest Service and the Delaware Nursery & Landscape Association. Coupons - which are available while supplies last up to a total of 1,000 trees - are available at the following garden centers:

Ronny's Garden World 5580 South DuPont Pkwy. Smyrna, DE 19977 (800) 798-3819 **All Seasons Nursery**& Garden Center
1325 S. Governors Ave.
Dover, DE 19904
(302) 734-2060

Lord's Landscaping, Inc. 315 Atlantic Ave. Millville, DE 19967 (302) 539-6119 Countryside Nursery & Garden Center 1604 Pulaski Highway Newark, DE 19702 (302) 832-1320

"Homeowners may not be aware that fall is an ideal time to plant a tree, and there are many excellent trees to choose from." Poole said. "Autumn's cooler temperatures help give newly planted trees time to take root before winter – and ensure that they get a head start on new growth next spring."

For more information, call 1-800-282-8685 or go to http://dda.delaware.gov/forestry.